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## Banks.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ..... £2,000,000  
CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... £351,993.15.0

**BANKERS:**  
CAPITAL & COUNTRIES BANK, LIMITED.

**HEAD OFFICE:**  
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

**BRANCHES:**  
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

**AGENCIES:**  
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

**RATES OF INTEREST.**  
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS AND FIXED DEPOSITS can be ascertained on application of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

**CHARTREY INCHBALD,**  
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1893. [210]

**THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.**

**AUTHORIZED CAPITAL** ..... £1,800,000  
**SUBSCRIBED** ..... £1,185,000

**BANKERS:**  
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

**INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS** at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

**ON FIXED DEPOSITS:**  
For 12 Months ..... 5 per cent.  
" 6 " ..... 4 " "  
" 3 " ..... 3 " "

**JOHN THURBURN,**  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [20]

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.**

**AUTHORIZED CAPITAL** ..... £1,000,000  
**SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL** ..... £500,000

**HEAD OFFICE:**—HONGKONG.

**Court of Directors:**  
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman, Hongkong.  
Chen Kih Shan, Esq., Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.,  
H. Stollerforss, Esq., Chief Manager,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

**Branches:**—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

**BANKERS:**  
The Commercial Bank of Scotland,  
Parsons Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)

**Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.**

Hongkong, 16th November, 1893. [7]

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**

**THE DIVIDEND DECLARED** for the Half-year ending 31st December last, at the rate of ONE POUND STERLING (£1) per Share of £125, is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 19th instant, at the Offices of the CORPORATION, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
**T. JACKSON,**  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1894. [150]

## Amusements.

**HONGKONG ATHLETIC SPORTS.**

To be held on the RACE COURSE on SATURDAY, the 10th of March, 1894, Commencing at 1.30 P.M.:

**PROGRAMME:**  
1. 120 Yards Flat Race (Handicap).  
2. Throwing the Cricket Ball.  
3. Long Jump.  
4. Quarter mile (Handicap); Soldiers, Sailors and Police.

5. Bicycle Race, 1 mile (Scratch).  
6. High Jump.  
7. Ladies' Race; Half mile (Handicap).  
8. Veterans' Race.  
9. 100 Yards (Challenge Cup).  
10. Tug-of-War.  
11. Hurdle Race (120 yards, 10 flights).  
12. Quarter mile Flat Race.  
13. Mile Flat Race (Handicap); Soldiers, &c.  
14. Mile Flat Race (Handicap).  
15. 220 Yards (Handicap).  
16. Consolation Race (120 yards).  
17. Steeplechase.  
18. Mile Bicycle Race (Handicap).

Nos. 4, 5, 12 and 18 are open events. Entry forms can be obtained after the 10th of February, 1894, at the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB, QUARRY BAY ATHLETIC CLUB, HONGKONG DOCKS, or of the Undersigned, and must be sent in not later than February 25th, 1894.

**A. DENISON,**  
Honorary Secretary,  
H. K. A. C.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1894. [182]

## Masonic.

**VICTORIA LODGE**

OF HONGKONG, No. 1026.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1894. [182]

**ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER**

HONGKONG, No. 212, B.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above Chapter will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on THURSDAY, the 23rd instant, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1894. [182]

## Insurances.

**THE STANDARD ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.**

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:—

(a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.

(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.

(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application,  
**DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,**  
Agents,  
STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893. [747]

**NOTICE.**

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED** ..... £1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

**HEAD OFFICE,**  
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,  
Hongkong, 24th November, 1893. [180]

**GENERAL NOTICE.**

**THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)**

**CAPITAL, TAELS** 500,000 ..... \$833,333.33  
**EQUAL TO** ..... \$833,333.33  
**RESERVE FUND** ..... \$318,000.00

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**  
LEE SING, Esq., LO YUEK MOON, Esq.,  
LOU TSO SHUM, Esq.

**MANAGER—HO AMEL.**

**MARINE RISKS** on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

**HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.**  
Hongkong, 17th November, 1893. [74]

## Auctions.

**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION,**  
No. 44.

The following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land, by Public Auction, to be held on the spot

TO-MORROW, the 20th day of February, 1894, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,  
**G. T. M. O'BRIEN,**  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1894. [333]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held To-morrow, the 20th day of February, 1894, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 Years.

**PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.**

**Public Auction.**

**WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of February, 1894, at 3.40 P.M.,**  
AT No. 6, WYNDHAM STREET,  
**HANDSOME HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,**  
Consisting:—

HANDSOMELY CARVED JARDINIER with THREE BEVELLED GLASS BACKS, VELVET COVERED SEATERS, SOFAS and CHAIRS.

BEVELLED GLASS OVERMANTELS, PICTURES, CURTAINS and ORNAMENTS, BLACKWOOD STANDS and STOOLS.

COURTAINS and RUGS.

ROUND TABLE, SIDEBOARD with BEVELLED GLASS BACK, and DINNER WAGGONS.

DINNER, DESSERT and TEA SETS, GLASS & PLATED WARE, SILVER WARE, DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEAD, DOUBLE WARDROBES with PLATE GLASS DOORS, MARBLE TOP BUREAU with BEVELLED GLASS, MARBLE TOP WASHSTAND with BEVELLED GLASS BACK.

WRITING-DESK with BOOK CASE, GLASS BOOK CASE, BUNDRAY BOOKS, ONE-COTTAGE PIANO, by J. BROADWOOD & SONS.

ONE JINRICKSHA.

BUNDRAY PLANTS in POTS, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

**TERMS OF SALE:**—As customary.

**M. ARMSTRONG,**  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1894. [144]

## Intimations.

**DAWSON'S PERFECTION OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.**

**ALLISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East,**  
68, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1893. [41]

**W. BREWER.**

**WHITAKER'S ALMANACKS, 1894.**  
Harold's Annual, 1894.

Nautical Diary, 1894.  
Year Book of Photography, 1894.

Compendium of Games.  
Boys' and Men's Footballs.

Boxing Gloves.  
Water and Oil Colour Boxes.

Sable and Hog Hair Brushes.  
Churchman's Almanack.

European Account Book.

**DANCING PUMPS.**  
Dance Programmes.

Scrap Album for Unmounted Photos.  
Christmas No. of *Figaro*, English edition.

Paris N°el French.  
Coming—In the Shadow of the Pagoda.

Stirling—Sole and Insanity.  
How—Illustrated Interviews.

Engineers' Almanack, 1894.  
New Exchange Tables 2/- to 3/6.

**W. BREWER,**  
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,  
QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1893. [40]

**CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.**

**Electric Lighting** throughout the Premises.

**THIS** long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the centre of the Settlements, is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

**F. E. REILLY,**  
PROPRIETOR.

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**KELLY & WALSH, LD.**

**IMPORTS OF THE CHOICEST BRANDS OF TOBACCO CIGARETTES AND MANILA CIGARS.**

OUR TOBACCO CIGARETTES are guaranteed ABSOLUTELY FRESH, and will be exchanged if found otherwise. The MANILA CIGARS will be found thoroughly matured and fit for immediate use.

**T O B A C C O S.**

Pioneer Brand, Captain Brand, Traveller Brand, Our Mutual Friend, Star Mixture, Cape Rose Brand, Silver Vell.

Three Castles, Bistol Bird's Eye, Happy Thought, Pagoda Brand, Golden Eagle, Ogden's Fruit and Honey, Dragon Brand.

Ogden's Navy Cut, CIGARETTES, Three Castles, Otto de Rose.

Three Caporals, Kinney's Straight Cut.

**KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.**

Hongkong, 17th February, 1894. [16]

**RACES 1894**

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**SADDLERY, RACING GEAR, STABLE FURNITURE.**

RACING SADDLES with Fittings complete, 31 ounces.

JOCKEY WHIPS, BRIDLES, RACING REINS.

BROWN LEATHER PONY HARNESS.

NEW CRAVATS, SCARFS, COLLARS, GLOVES, HATS, CARRIAGE RUGS, &c.

JOCKEY BOOTS, RACING TOPS.

**JANE CRAWFORD & CO.**

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1894. [150]

**THE HONGKONG HOTEL.**

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremila"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

**PROPRIETORS**.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

**THE HONGKONG HOTEL**—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pender's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

**THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH** conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. The TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the *cafeterie* being under experienced supervision.

**THE BED-ROOMS**, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communication. The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Dressing Rooms, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

**THE WINES & SPIRITS** are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied. HYDRAULIC ASCENDING ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

**NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN** are constantly on duty.

**M. ARMSTRONG,**  
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1893. [144]

## Intimations.

**THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS** in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st February, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1893.

**THE TRANSFER BOOKS** of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 21st inst., both days inclusive.

By Order,  
**JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,**  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1894. [183]

**HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS** will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL, on THURSDAY, 8th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of the Accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1893, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matters that may completely be brought before the Meeting.

**THE TRANSFER BOOKS** of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd instant to the 8th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
**R. LYALL,**  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1894. [247]

**HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.**

ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH, 1894, Owing to the RACES there will be NO COMPETITION. Members are requested to send their ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS to the Hon. Treas. Captain PALMER, Ordnance Office.

**ARTHUR CHAPMAN,**  
Honorary Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1894. [146]

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.**

**IN BANKRUPTCY.**  
No. 6 OF 1893.

**IN THE MATTER OF ROBERT LANG, OF NO. 26, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, TAILOR AND OUTFITTER.**

**EX-PARTE—THE DEBTOR.**

**THE** Court has appointed THURSDAY, the 8th day of March, 1894, at 12 o'clock Noon, for hearing the application for discharge of the above-named Debtor.

Dated this 17th day of February, 1894.  
**BRUCE SHEPHERD,**  
Trustee.

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**GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Road along the Sea front at Causeway Bay will be CLOSED during the RENEWAL of the Bridge.

By Command,  
**G. T. M. O'BRIEN,**  
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 17th February, 1894. [253]

**THE PHARMACY,**  
25, QUEEN'S ROAD,  
**FLETCHER & Co.,**  
DISPENSING AND RETAIL CHEMISTS, DRUGGISTS' SUPPLIERS, PERFUMERS

**PATENT MEDICINE VENDORS,** have on hand a Large Stock of leading Patent Medicines and Proprietary Articles:—

**PATENT MEDICINES:**—Scott's Emulsion, Fello's Syrup, Kepler's Malt, Lalo's Phosphodyne, Fletcher's Malt, &c., &c., &c.

**TOILET REQUISITES:**—Sponges, Sponges Bags, Hair Brushes, Cloth Brushes, Shaving Brushes, Tooth Brushes, Nail Brushes, Combs, Razors, &c., &c., &c.

**PERFUMES:**—Pinaud's, Aikinson's, Colgate's, Crown Perfumery Co.'s and Rickson's.

**THE NEW PERFUME:**—Latest and Best, White Heather Bouquet, \$1.25 per bottle.

**SOAPS:**—Pearl, Vinola, Calvert's, Joy's, Sulpholine, Robinson's, &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1894. [28]

**D. R. KNORR'S**  
**ANTIPYRINE.**

(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 TO 35 GRAINS TWICE.)

**IS** the most approved and most efficacious remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE, NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER, TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE, ERYSIPELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and many other complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic. Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty. Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTIPYRINE. Each Tin bears the inventor's signature "Dr. KNORR" in red letters.

**"DERMATOL"** is the best Vaseline; its effect in stimulating the closing up of Wounds, is described as amazing.

To be had at every reputed Chemist and Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China Export, Import and Bank Co.—Sole Agents for China.

Beware of spurious imitations.

Hongkong, 1st April 1894. [106]

**NOTICE.**

**THE** Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the

**KONINKLIJKE PAKETVAART MAATSCHAPPIJ.**

are prepared to grant through Bills of Lading to Ports of Java, Sumatra (East and West Coast), Celebes, Timor, Sunda, Madura, Dutch New Guinea, &c., &c. Bills of Lading for through Cargo from these Ports to be presented to the Undersigned for consignment.

**LAUTS, WEGNER & Co.,**  
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1893. [144]

## Shipping.

**STEAMERS.**

**DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.**  
THE Company's Steamship

"**FORIEN**,"  
Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 20th instant, at Day-light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,**  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1894. [248]

**THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

**FOR MANILA (DIRECT).**  
THE Company's Steamship

"**ESMERALDA**,"  
Captain G. A. Taylor, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 20th instant, at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**SHEWAN & Co.,**  
General Managers.

Hongkong,







Then are we to understand that either she never saw you at all or when she did she shied her sight across your bow, for no reason at all apparently, because she must have seen your red light on her starboard side?—No, I expect they took you for a junk, exactly as I took them for one. We did not open on them, nor they on us, and the smoke would hide all the coloured lights. Japanese coal is very smoky.

The President—I never had the misfortune to sail with such coal, and hope I never will, but if you mean to say that Japanese coal is bound to obscure a ship's side lights at that distance, then it is a bad business!

Capt. Davis—I know that Japanese coal sometimes does make a very great deal of smoke. The President—But there was a moderate gale. If it had been a dead calm, I could understand the light being obscured—just about wind enough to keep the smoke well in front of a ship running before it.

In the course of further cross-examination the witness said he had seen very little of the steamer, as he never saw her at all until minutes before she was struck, and then after putting the telegraph at "stop" he went down at once to the captain; and after that, witness was busy carrying out various orders from the captain, attending to lights being put up in the rigging, sounding the fore-peak, etc. He hardly noticed what the other ship was doing.

The President—I should think natural curiosity, to say nothing of duty, would induce you to stay long enough to look—Well, we couldn't see much more than that night.

Then how could you see Breaker Point, 14 miles off?—There was no smoke that way.

From looking at the *Hangchow* in dock, how do you think the damage was done?—I think the main deck of the other ship cut into our bows. But would not the *Hangchow* then be damaged above that, by the upper deck?—She might have only a very short bridge deck, and we might have missed it.

But your bows are cut only 12 feet above water; would that be high enough for a main deck of a steamer?—We might have struck just as we were lifted up.

Did you hear any suggestion to lower a boat?—No, I thought of it myself, but thought we could not do it.

Could you get any nearer to her? No; once I noticed we were already dangerously near.

But you said before that you never saw her again after going for the captain?—I don't remember saying that; I certainly did see her, a little forward—on our starboard beam certainly near enough to hail.

The President—Then why did you not hail?—It was not my place.

Capt. Hill—Not your place? Were you not in charge of the deck prior to the collision?—Yes. A Chinese quartermaster, who was at the wheel at the time of the collision, said he saw a light on the port bow, a long way off. Then the second officer gave the order "hard-a-port."

Witness never saw any side-lights on the other steamer, only a mast-head light. Witness was attending to the compass all the time, and could not really give any information of any use.

John Bourne, chief officer of the *Hangchow*, with master's certificate 762, Hongkong, 1893, said:—I was on deck at the time of collision. I was asleep, but was aroused by the engines going astern. There was a strong monsoon and high sea. I went straight to the fore peak to sound; on the way I saw the other vessel on the starboard bow, but beyond noticing that she was a steamer I hardly looked at her. She was quite a ship's length off. I had felt the impact of collision, but very slightly, directly after the engines went astern. After sounding the fore-peak and getting back to the main deck, I saw the other steamer on our starboard beam, just then burning a blue light. We replied with another. I saw her funnel while the light was burning; it seemed light-coloured. Did not notice it again.

The President—The mystery is as to what became of the other ship, and that is just the point on which unfortunately we cannot get any information at all from anybody; they all saw lights, but did not take the trouble to look what became of them. Did you watch the light till it disappeared, or did you go away?—I went away; I had to attend to my duties in the fore peak.

The President—Yes, everybody appears to have been doing something else! Did you have any conversation with the captain about the other vessel?—Yes; he asked me what I thought had become of her, and I said I thought she had steamed away. We cruised about a bit but saw nothing.

Well, but can you say whether everything was done, or what was done to help the other ship?—We stood by for two hours, as near as possible to the place of the collision.

But what steps did you take to find out about her? It is not much use you staying four lengths off the ship; you don't look what is happening with the other ship. The captain asked me about lowering a boat, but we simply couldn't see anything to lower a boat for.

Then that was all the assistance you rendered, to hang out a light over the stern and another in the starboard rigging and burn a blue light in answer to theirs?—I considered that if they had been in danger they would have done something to get us to help. We could tell at what minute our own hullhead would give way.

Capt. Hill—Now far could you see a ship's side lights on such a night?—About a mile.

And where was the other ship all the time?—On our starboard all the while, but coming slowly to port, and so were we. When we lost sight of her I thought she had gone on her course, as the shock of the collision had seemed so slight I thought she could not be hurt much. The captain and I then consulted about our own ship, and as she was so much hurt we thought it best to put back to anchor.

After the Court had considered in private it was decided not to call any more evidence; but the captain was asked if he wished to make any further remarks before the verdict was considered.

Capt. Derby pointed out that there had been some discrepancies in the evidence, but the reason was that the chief and second officers were busy all the time running about superintending the crew, and so had no opportunity to take notice.

The second officer agreed that was so, and that some of his evidence was not quite certain for that reason.

The President—Then the question arises whether your ship was not dangerously undermanned, if the crew was such that nothing could be done without the responsible officers leaving the deck and taking the part of members of the crew, or at any rate of petty officers, so that there was nobody with the captain.

Capt. Hill—How many officers are there on the *Hangchow*?

Capt. Derby—Two deck officers and three engineers.

The Court then retired to consider its verdict. Shortly after 6 p.m. the Court delivered its finding, which after a review of the evidence, leading to a verdict of "not proven" as to the cause of the disaster, concluded as follows:—

"We are of opinion that the master of the *Hangchow* fully recognized the duty of standing by after the collision as long as the safety of his own vessel and of the lives on board were not unduly endangered thereby; also that the steps taken by him were all taken with this end in view; but while recognizing the same

get to the *Hangchow*, we regret that her master should have decided to leave the scene of the disaster without even more strenuous efforts being made to discover what had become of the other vessel. The Court do not deal with the certificates of the master or officers and they are therefore returned to them."

## HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY.

The ordinary annual meeting of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company was held at the offices of the company this afternoon. Mr. H. Hopplius, Chairman of the Company, presided, and there were also present Messrs. J. S. Van Buren, G. B. Dodwell, C. Jantzen, J. Kramer, Hon. J. J. Kewick, (Directors); J. M. G. Munn, E. Jones Hughes, A. G. Wood, J. McCallum, G. Murray Bain and D. Gillies (Secretary and Manager).

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, you will no doubt all have perused the report and accounts for the past half year now before you and have, I trust, found them satisfactory. Although our earnings have been somewhat smaller than during the previous six months, which were exceptionally good. We propose to pay you again a dividend of 7 per cent. write off a substantial sum from the value of Kowloon and Comopolitan Docks, and carry forward \$33,974.46 to new account with a view to make sure of an equally good dividend for the current half year.

The Admiralty Loan amounting now to £15,248.18.48 has been adjusted at the exchange of 3/6, involving a loss of \$4,811.85, which has been added to the reserve fund, and unless a reaction takes place in the gold value of our currency, we shall have to make a further provision in our next accounts, I am sorry to say. The cost of material on hand stands about \$70,000 higher than six months ago, as we have added considerably to our stocks during the period under review; and as we shall not require any for our large supplies for some time to come, we expect to be able to reduce our local loans again before long. I may mention, that this stock of material has been carried forward at its original cost, and as a large portion of it was laid down here when the dollar was worth over 3s., it now represents a most valuable asset of our company and enables us to serve our customers on very moderate terms. I do not think that I have anything further to add to the Report and Accounts, but before proposing their adoption, I shall be glad to answer any questions which you may wish to put with reference to the same.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Murray Bain, the reports and accounts were unanimously adopted.

The next business was the re-election of the retiring directors, Messrs. Hopplius and D. R. Sams.

Mr. Wood proposed the re-election of these gentlemen and was seconded by Mr. Jones Hughes.

The proposal was adopted *nem. con.*

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. McCallum the Hon. J. J. Kewick was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy in the Board of Directors caused by the departure of Mr. J. J. Bell-Irving.

Messrs. T. Arnold and S. G. Bid were unanimously elected agents on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Van Buren.

This concluded the business.

## MARY AND HER YOUNG MAN GO FORTH TO LEARN THE ART OF RINKULATING.

I.—And it came to pass there came a day when the young man with the lead-pencil legs and the high-water pants bethought himself of the Skating Rink.

II.—So he went out and when he came nigh unto his girl he spoke unto her saying: "Come, Mary, let us give ourselves up and go hence to the Rink, for behold I have been diligent in thy absence, and have embowered two dubs." So they went, one with the other, for they loved each other with love the greatness of which was like unto death.

III.—And when the youth and the maiden were come unto the Rink, they saw divers other young men and maidens waiting hither and thither and standing on their heels, and spreading themselves upon the floor to the four corners of the place.

IV.—And Mary was pleased thereat, for she saw the other maidens sticking to their escorts closer than boiler rivets.

V.—And she longed for some of the same agony.

VI.—So she prevailed upon her lover to go and do likewise. And he went with a light heart, for he loved the sport, because he had been there before and knew the whiteness thereof.

VII.—And after a little while he returned and took Mary's feet and fastened the skates thereon. And in like manner did he unto his own feet. Then they smiled one upon the other and went upon their wobbly way.

VIII.—And it came to pass when they had got out where the eyes of the multitude were upon them, Mary forgot herself and looked back. Now, this was a grievous thing to do, for it was written on the wall: "Thou shalt not look back when thou skatest, lest thy feet forsake thee and thou treadest upon thine ear."

IX.—But Mary was full of joy and chocolate and remembered not these things.

X.—So when she looked back her feet flew from under her, and went up into the atmosphere and sat a star therein, and descended with a great crash, and Mary sat down with a dull thud, and her fall was exceedingly hard; yes, great was the muckness thereof.

XI.—So likewise had her lover upset himself, but he hurt himself not, for he had been like the seven wise skaters who had put cork soles in the basement of their garments.

XII.—But in an evil moment he lifted up his voice and laughed.

XIII.—Then was Mary wrath and grew red in the countenance, saying: "Thou leadest me into slippery paths, and when the floor riseth up and striketh me thou comest not to my aid but thou gurgiest at my misfortune. Henceforth we remain together a little closer off."

XIV.—And from that day unto this she passeth him by on the other side of the street.

## GOSSIP FOR WOMEN.

The best preparation for the hands at night is white of egg, with a grain of alum dissolved in it. It is very soothing and soothing to have one's lips break out with cold sores, but it is better to have them out than in. A drop of warm mutton suet applied to the sores at night, just before retiring, will soon cause them to disappear.

Dandruff may be removed by using a thin slice of lemon in a basin of water, first washing the hair with it.

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Headache almost always yields to the simple anesthetic application of hot water to the feet and the back of the head.

Paraffine paper is the best possible material for curling papers, as it keeps the hair soft and glossy. Paper and kid crimpers will cause the hair to break off.

A good remedy for chapped lips is made by mixing together two spoonfuls of clarified honey with a few drops of lavender water.

Lemon juice is excellent for removing stains from the nails.

Warm milk used as a wash at night makes hard, coarse or rough skin soft.

Three old ladies, whose united ages aggregate 260 years recently left England for a visit to Egypt. In that land of antiquities the gay old girls will feel their years to be trifling and grow kitchenth in the presence of the Sphinx.

A pleasant tooth powder, and beneficial as well, is made of finely ground orris root and precipitated chalk in equal parts. When flavoured with oil of roses it is very fragrant.

The Countess of Warwick, when Lady Brooks of Essex, had a Shakespearean garden, in which was represented every plant mentioned in Shakespeare. The Prince of Wales planted the first specimen.

Of the twelve bridesmaids who officiated at Queen Victoria's wedding only three are living now. These are the Dowager Duchess of Bedford, formerly Lady Elizabeth Sackville-West; the Duchess of Cleveland, who is Lord Rosebery's mother, and Lady Jane Ellen, formerly Lady Jane Bourville.

It is rumored that glossy hair is to become the prevailing style, and to produce the effect many things are resorted to. Brushing the hair at night will make it shiny, and it is said that a soft milk cap worn at night will do the same. First of all, however, the hair must be kept perfectly clean and free from oil or "dressing."

Some years ago, when the Imperial Palace was burned, the beautiful Empress of Japan, amid all the excitement and discomfort she was called upon to endure in a hasty flight to a comfortable old *yashiki*, thinking first of her subjects' natural concern for her comfort, set down and wrote them a dainty little rhyme, which proclaimed as erroneous the report that she had changed her residence. It coyly asserted that her home had always been in the hearts of her people, and that she sincerely hoped that neither by time nor by cold could she be driven from that dear abode.

## THE HOW-WE-BEAT-THE-FAVOURITE AFFLICTION.

It started at first in the brains of one Gordon (He blew them out after and somewhat soon).

Each ear is his echo—encoring—encoring—encoring—A plague on postally never conduced.

All signs, from infancy up to virility. Record how the ring-men were yelling, "Dead heat!"

The tremendous volcing of gunnery scallily Out-gibber—"And that's how the favorite was beat!"

Attend at a concert, if you are sensible. To soften your spirits, or bolster them up; It's twenty to one you will get that emetic. Worn-to-rags lay of the Loamshire Hunt Cap.

Soprano sings first of the "Scenes that are brightest" By basso you're rocked on the waves of the deep;

The tenor voice trills, in sweet notes of the lightest; Contralto attunes you to languorous sleep. But, next, you're aroused by a din of hoarse cheering;

A while, scarlet nostril flits close to your knees; Some dandy is on to the platform careering, And, hopeless, you see that he's got the disease.

And then you hear all the old saturnal drives—How he was left sailing in front of the hall; Disgusted, you pick up your girl, and locked level Discarding all ranning, you race from the hall.

It's the same at all socials and picnics and parties, Dismissing or Roman, or Orangeman's Pop—You're told by the Atkinses, Dugalds, and Flahertys,

"Be calm; and they think you may just win the Cup."

One sentiment only in which you can revel, On searching the dirge from its finish to start, Is the short fervent prayer that is muttered by Nerilic—

It wakens an echo in every heart. We've heard it recited aboard of the *Churo*; The boys of "The Never" can't let it go by; From the loftiest summit of Mount Kosciuszko Its lines have been yelled to the suffering sky.

It's poisoned the life of the old sage of Hawarden, He's sharpening his axe, and he's picking his hair; For he's going to brain or to castigate Gordon—He doesn't know yet Gordon's under the sod.

I'm weak and I'm limp; I am weary and ailing; I'll never enjoy the same vigorous again; But—Giles, on the Greyling, came down at the palling—

I fear, by my soul! that I'm going insane. "Keep back on The Heifer; lie by on The Mullock; Back you, sir, on Fig-leaves; sit still on The Hag; Slide down on The Rainbow; turn round on The Bullock; So, steady there—easy—and up went the rag."

May The Clouds, at the stud, prove completely defective. And drift, at the last, to the shafts of a cart; May I scold, with pale, feel the "damns" and "hadvies."

Of thousands of sufferers gnaw at his heart, May the lampass annoy them, the glanders attack them, The heaves and bronchitis o'er torture their breath, May greasy heel-flame them, and thoroughpins rack them, And spavins and bots bring them down to their death.

—N. M. O'Donnell, in *Sydney Bulletin*.

## Today's Advertisements.

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A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE OF "PRINCESS TOTO"

WILL BE GIVEN AT THE THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, ON SATURDAY, 24th February, 1894, at 9 P.M. precisely.

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EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 24.

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FRANKLIN HALL, Zealand Street, THURSDAY, the 10th instant, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 19th February, 1894. 1228

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND OF SEVEN PER CENT. per Share for the Six months ending 31st December, 1893, DECLARED at Monday's Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting, will be PAYABLE at the Premises of the HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, on and after TUESDAY, the 20th February, and Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, No. 14, Praya Central. By Order of the Board of Directors D. GILLIES, Secretary.

HONGKONG, 19th February, 1894. 1259

STRAITS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of this Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, SINGAPORE, on THURSDAY, 22nd March, at 10 A.M.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 10th to 22nd March, both days inclusive. By Order of the Directors WM. MACBEAN, Agent, Hongkong Branch.

HONGKONG, 19th February, 1894. 1260

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1894.

THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, the 22nd, 23rd and 24th February.

TICKETS OF ADMISSION TO THE GRAND STAND AND ENCLOSURE may be obtained from KELLY & WALSH, LD. Price, \$5 for the Meeting.

Tickets for the Day may be purchased at the Gate. Price, \$2 each.

No one will be admitted without a Ticket which must be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

LADIES are invited to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during the Races.

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 19th February, 1894. 1257

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NO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the RACECOURSE during the Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS, which can be had upon application to the Undersigned.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW. THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG,"

Captain Hoagins, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 22nd instant at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARRAIE & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 19th February, 1894. 1255

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Hongkong, 19th January, 1894.



